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Wright Farm, (Maplehurst Farm)

Architectural Survey File

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The Wright Farm
Wright's Crossing

mid 18th century

The original section of this house is a one and one half story, two bays wide log structure. On the east side of the original facade is found a brick wing laid in American Common Bond. The roof of the entire facade is gabled and is punctuated by an original corbeled brick chimney on the wing and a replaced corbeled brick chimney on the original portion. A one story wrap around porch is found on the south and west side and is a later addition.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Wright's Farm

AND/OR COMMON

Maplehurst Farm

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

100 Maplehurst Road

CITY, TOWN

Frostburg

☒ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Sixth

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Allegany

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT
☒ BUILDING(S)
☐ STRUCTURE
☐ SITE
☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC
☒ PRIVATE
☐ BOTH
PUBLIC ACQUISITION
☐ IN PROCESS
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED
☐ UNOCCUPIED
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS
ACCESSIBLE
☐ YES: RESTRICTED
☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED
☒ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE
☐ COMMERCIAL
☐ EDUCATIONAL
☐ ENTERTAINMENT
☐ GOVERNMENT
☐ INDUSTRIAL
☐ MILITARY
☐ MUSEUM
☐ PARK
☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
☐ RELIGIOUS
☐ SCIENTIFIC
☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Maplehurst Country Club Incorporated

Robert B. and Norma Porter - caretakers Telephone #: 689-8263

STREET & NUMBER

100 Maplehurst Road

CITY, TOWN

Frostburg

☒ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21532

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Allegany County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

30 Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT
☐ GOOD
☒ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The old Wright Farm is located at 100 Maplehurst Road, Frostburg, Allegany County on the west side of the road near the Maplehurst Country Club.

The farmhouse consists of a two story, five bay wide rectangular shaped block. The original building located at the site was a log structure, that has since been covered with weatherboard, and a side wing laid in American Common Bond brick construction has been added to the eastern side. The entire structure is supported by a low stone foundation with a plain water table. The roof of the entire facade is gabled, covered with replaced asphalt shingles, and features one cross gable dormer on the south side. Windows in the house feature double hung wooden sash frames with plain trim and one-over-one, two-over-two, four-over-four and six-over-six lights placed randomly throughout the structure. The main entrances are located on the southern side of the facade and are recessed with plain, replaced verticle paneled doors. The entrances are covered by a partially enclosed, wrap around porch featuring double hung wooden sash windows with four-over-four lights. Two corbeled brick chimneys, which appear to be original, are located interior to the structure.

The house is structurally sound and retains much of the original appearance after the brick wing was added.

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PERIOD

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

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| PREHISTORIC | <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING | <input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC | <input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION | <input type="checkbox"/> LAW | <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599 | <input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS | <input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE | <input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION | <input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY | <input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799 | <input type="checkbox"/> ART | <input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING | <input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC | <input type="checkbox"/> THEATER |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899 | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE | <input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT | <input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY | <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1900- | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS | <input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY | <input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT | <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION | | |

SPECIFIC DATES Mid 18th century

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Wright farmhouse was built in the mid eighteenth century, years before the Revolutionary War. The original house was a small log structure, and later in the early nineteenth century a brick wing was added. The Wrights acquired the farm when letters patent were granted on the farm years before the Revolution by the English government, and shortly after, it received the name of the "Wright" farm. The property once included Welsh Hill and part of Hoffman Hollow, but was sold to coal companies for good prices when the coal fields were discovered. A small log cabin is mentioned in, "The Ill Stored General" by Lee McCardell, to have been present on the site of Martin's Plantation when Braddock blazed the road to Fort Duquene, and it is believed to be the old original Wright log farmhouse. The structure being one of oldest in the area certainly enhances the historic and cultural heritage of Allegany County, and the possibility for restoration is excellent.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Allegany County Land Records, Cumberland, Maryland
"A Model Farm", Frostburg Mining Journal; May 13, 1882 No. 35

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 117.4 Part of the original Wright property holdings

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

100 Maplehurst Road

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

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|-------|--------|
| STATE | COUNTY |
| STATE | COUNTY |

11 FORM PREPARED BY

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|-----------------|---|-----------------------|
| NAME / TITLE | John E. Nelson, Program Coordinator of All. Co. Historic Sites Survey | |
| ORGANIZATION | Allegany County Historic Sites Survey | DATE 5/21/76 |
| STREET & NUMBER | 10 Park Lane | TELEPHONE 689-8486 |
| CITY OR TOWN | Frostburg | STATE Maryland |

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
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Maplehurst Farm - part of Club
100 Maplehurst Road

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HISTORICAL CHAIN OF TITLE

Allegany County - Deed - Liber 275, Folio 143
grantee: Maplehurst Country Club
grantor: Arnolds
March 31, 1955
Consideration: \$30,000

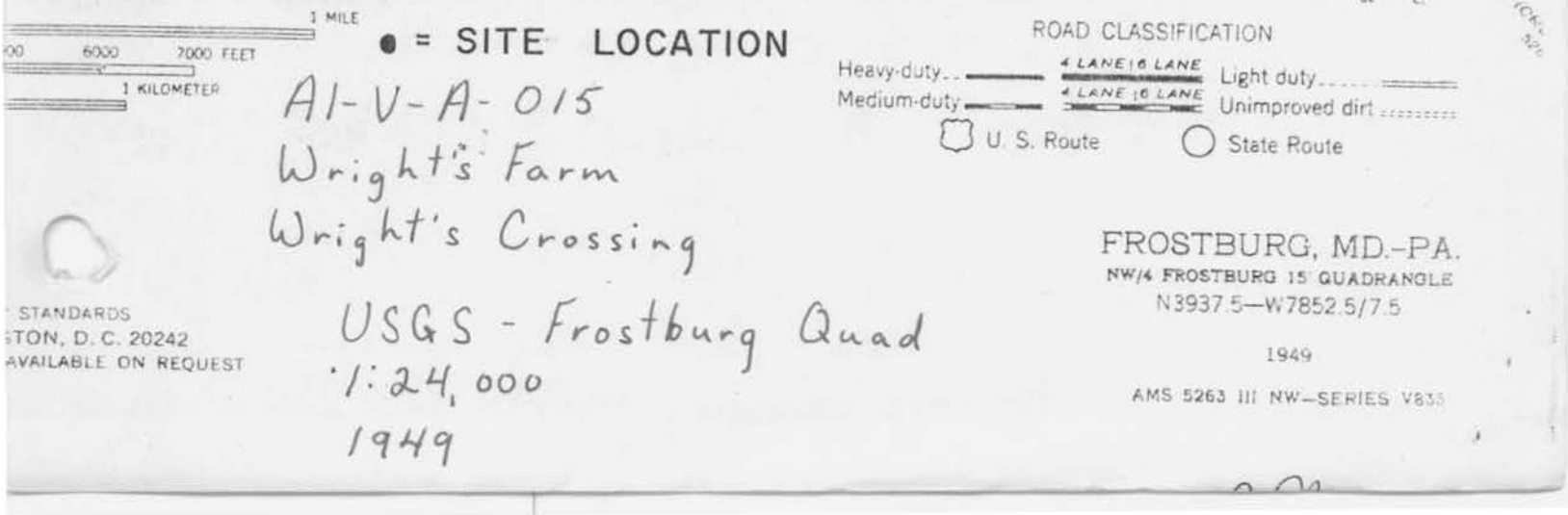
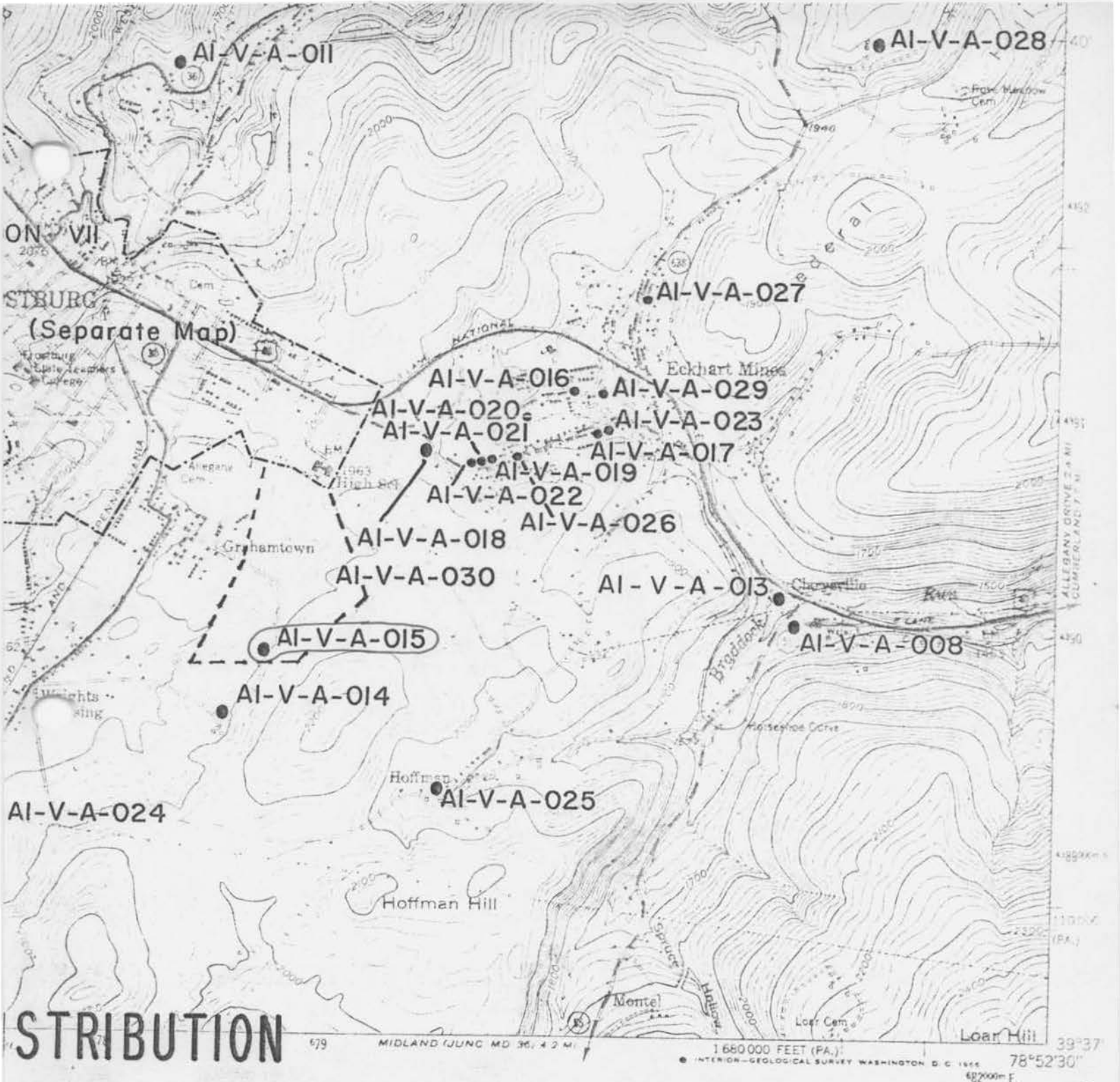
Liber 133, Folio 156
grantee: Arnolds
grantor: Charles W. Loar
May 11, 1920
Consideration: \$23,500

Liber 100, Folio 647
grantee: Charles W. Loar
grantor: John N. Layman
April 11, 1907

Liber 88, Folio 276
grantee: John N. Layman
grantor: John Wright and Thomas Frost - executors of Sarah Wright

Allegany County Will - Liber H, Folio 90
grantee: Sarah Wright
April 14, 1900
Part of Wright Farm

John and Sarah Wright - Original owners Part of Wright's property holdings





Wright's Farm

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100 Maplehurst Rd.

John E. Nelson

5/20/76

Southeast



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Northeast



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Southwest